QUESTIONS FOR ANSWERS ON THE DAY

(But not taken up)

Depressed Class Scholarships in High and Middle Schools

Q.—791. Sri G. DUGGAPPA (Holalkere).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the total amount of Depressed Class Scholarship that has been allotted during the last five years (yearwar figures) in the High and Middle Schools in the State ;

(*b*) the total number of applicants for those scholarships during the last five years (yearwar) in High and Middle Schools in the State ?

A.— Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO (Minister for Law and Education).—

(*a*) and (*b*) Statement appended below.

Statement showing the Depressed Class Scholarships allotted during the past five years and the applications received therefor.

Sl. No.	Year	High Schools		Middle Schools	
		No. of scholarships allotted	No. of applications received	No. of scholarships allotted	No. of applications received
1	1948-49 ...	487	1,019	799	3,282
2	1949-50 ...	487	1,449	799	4,304
3	1950-51 ...	567	1,499	899	4,409
4	1951-52 ...	567	1,597	899	4,757
5	1952-53 ...	567	1,673	899	4,493

PRIVILEGE MOTION

Words used by the Chief Minister with reference to a Member.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Sri Mulka Govinda Reddy, do you wish to press this Privilege Motion ?

Sri Mulka GOVINDA REDDY (Chitaldrug).—Yes.

1 P.M.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Sri Mulka Govinda Reddy has given notice of what he calls a breach of privilege. It reads as follows :—

"The Chief Minister while making his reply on 19-3-1954 to a debate on the cut motion moved by Sri P. R. Ramaiah on the question of retirement of officers after revision of their age made a personal accusation against me that I tried to influence him on behalf of some body and that he did not yield to my influence. The Chief Minister had abused his freedom of speech and right of reply by making personal accusation against a member which has resulted in a breach of privilege. I therefore request you to kindly refer this matter to the Committee of Privileges."

As Hon'ble Members are aware, the Constitution gives every member the right of freedom of speech in the Assembly. At the same time, however, it is necessary that the use of unparliamentary or objectionable words should be prevented. For this purpose the Chair is invested with the power to intervene and call upon the offending member to withdraw the words and where he fails or refuses to do so or does not explain the sense in which he

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used the words so as to remove the objection to them, the Speaker is given power to take other steps to secure the object in view. For this purpose the practice is that notice should be immediately taken of the words objected to and where it is done the Speaker directs the Secretary to take down the words to which objection is taken. But where any member has spoken between, no words which had passed before could be taken notice of so as to be written down in order to a censure.

In May's Parliamentary Practice (15th Edn.) an instance has been referred to wherein the Speaker decided that certain words could not be taken down though a member had immediately risen to order and objected to the words used because another member and the Speaker had spoken to the question of order before the House expressed a wish to have the words taken down. (P. 447.) In another case referred to in the same book, it would appear that when objection was taken to words after a question put from the Chair it was held to be too late.

It thus becomes clear, firstly, that the case under consideration is not one of privilege. Secondly, it is also clear that Sri Mulka Govinda Reddy should have taken objection to the words immediately they were uttered and that the present complaint is belated.

It may not be out of place to mention further that I am sure the Hon'ble the Chief Minister did not intend to make any accusation against the Hon'ble Member nor cast any reflection on him.

Sri Mulka GOVINDA REDDY.—I am not making any remarks against the ruling of the Chair. But I should like to bring to the notice of the Chair that I immediately protested to the Chief Minister against using those words and I was making attempts to rise in my seat.

Mr. SPEAKER.—You said so. But the procedure was not adopted. I have referred to it in my ruling.

Short Notice Questions

Sri B. RACHAIAH.—Sir, I have sent a short notice question for which I have not received replies.

Mr. SPEAKER.—I have received some notices. Some of them I have allowed and some I have rejected. But it requires the consent of the Hon'ble Minister.

Half-an-hour Debate on a Question

Sri M. PALANIYAPPAN.—I have given notice of a subject for half-an-hour debate regarding an interpellation that I had tabled, Sir.

Mr. SPEAKER.—What is the subject matter of your question?

Sri M. PALANIYAPPAN.—I will find out and tell you, Sir. I do not remember.

Mr. SPEAKER.—If you cannot remember, how can you expect me to remember? Anyway please take it that your notice has been rejected by me.

Sri Mulka GOVINDA REDDY.—Mr. Speaker, with your permission, I would like to make a short statement just to clear my position.

Mr. SPEAKER.—No. Sri Mulka Govinda Reddy, I have taken up Demands; you may take some other opportunity. I may assure you, no Hon'ble Member will mistake you.

BUDGET FOR 1954-55—DEMANDS FOR GRANTS.—*Contd.*

Demand No. 17—Scientific Departments.

36. SCIENTIFIC DEPARTMENTS.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Motion moved:

"That a sum not exceeding Rs. 9,27,000 be granted to the Government to defray the charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending 31st day of March 1955, in respect of 'Scientific Departments'."

There are only two Demands for the day. Shall we set apart for this Demand time till 1-30 and then devote the rest of the day to 'Education'?